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# **BLACK BEAR HARVEST SUMMARY 2018**



Lauren McAllister with her St. Lawrence County black bear, September 2018.

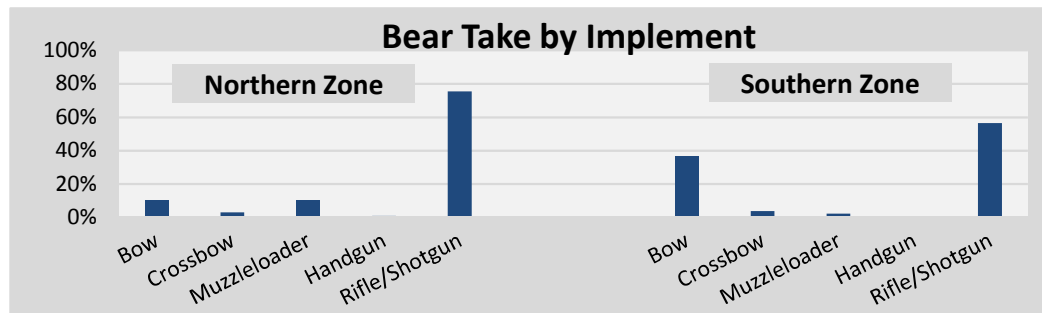


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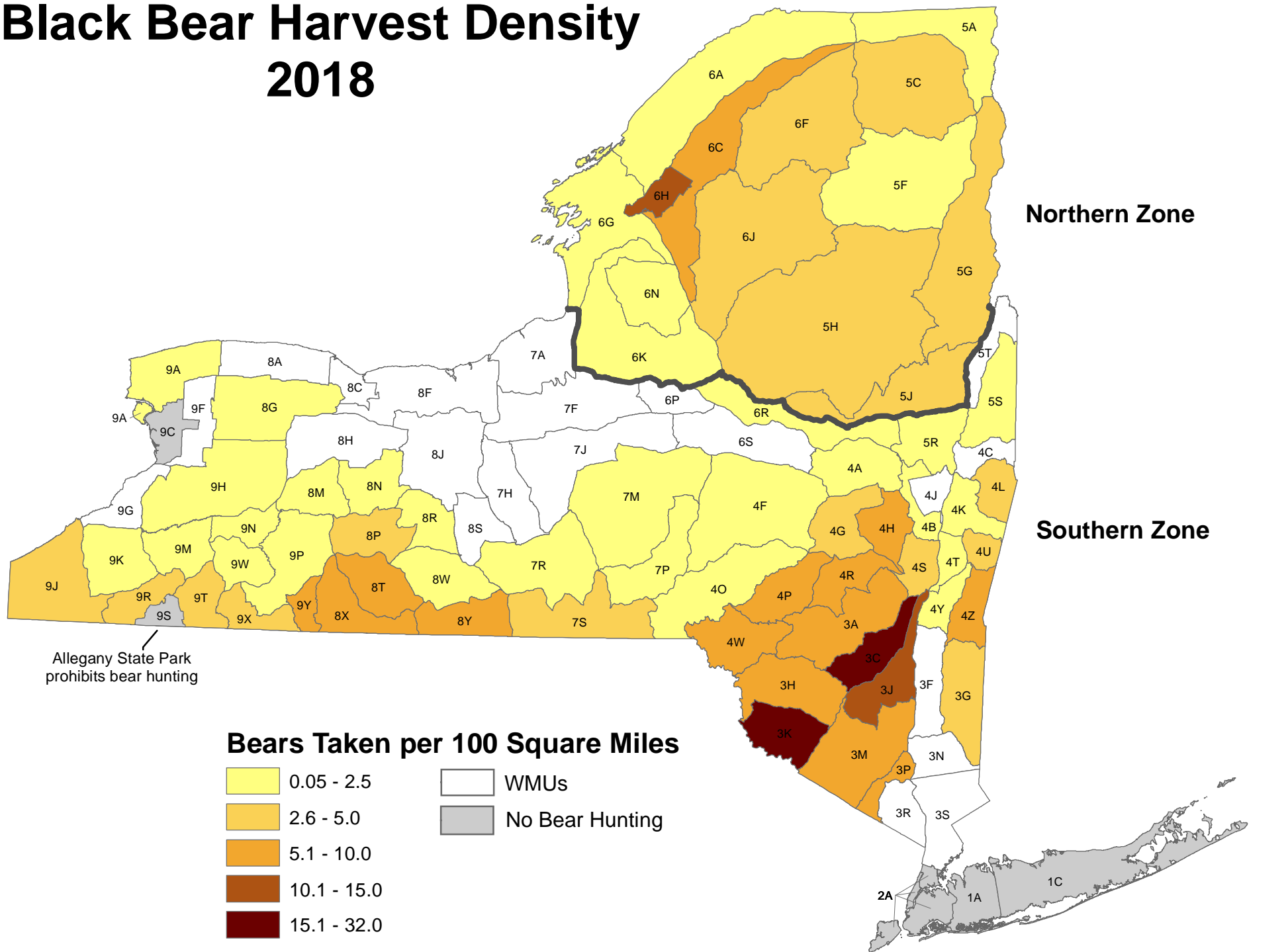
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## 2018 Bear Harvest Summary

	2018	2017	5-Year Average (2013 - 2017)	Historical Average (1991-2000)
<b>Northern Zone</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>515</b>
Early	259	82	176	172
Bow	55	25	33	15
Muzzleloader	48	33	53	25
Regular	129	242	213	303
Youth	0	1	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	45% - 55%	38% - 62%	38% - 62%	43% - 57%
<b>Southern Zone</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>1,037</b>	<b>1,056</b>	<b>207</b>
Early	179	150	227	NA
Bow	294	330	332	54
Muzzleloader	18	12	12	1
Regular	302	537	528	153
Youth	11	8	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	41% - 59%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%	37% - 63%
<b>New York State</b>	<b>1,295</b>	<b>1,420</b>	<b>1,532</b>	<b>722</b>
Early	438	232	357	172
Bow	349	355	365	69
Muzzleloader	66	45	65	26
Regular	431	779	741	455
Youth	11	9	NA	NA
% Female : % Male	42% - 58%	39% - 61%	40% - 60%	41% - 59%




# Black Bear Harvest Density 2018



# 2018 NEW YORK STATE BLACK BEAR TAKE BY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT

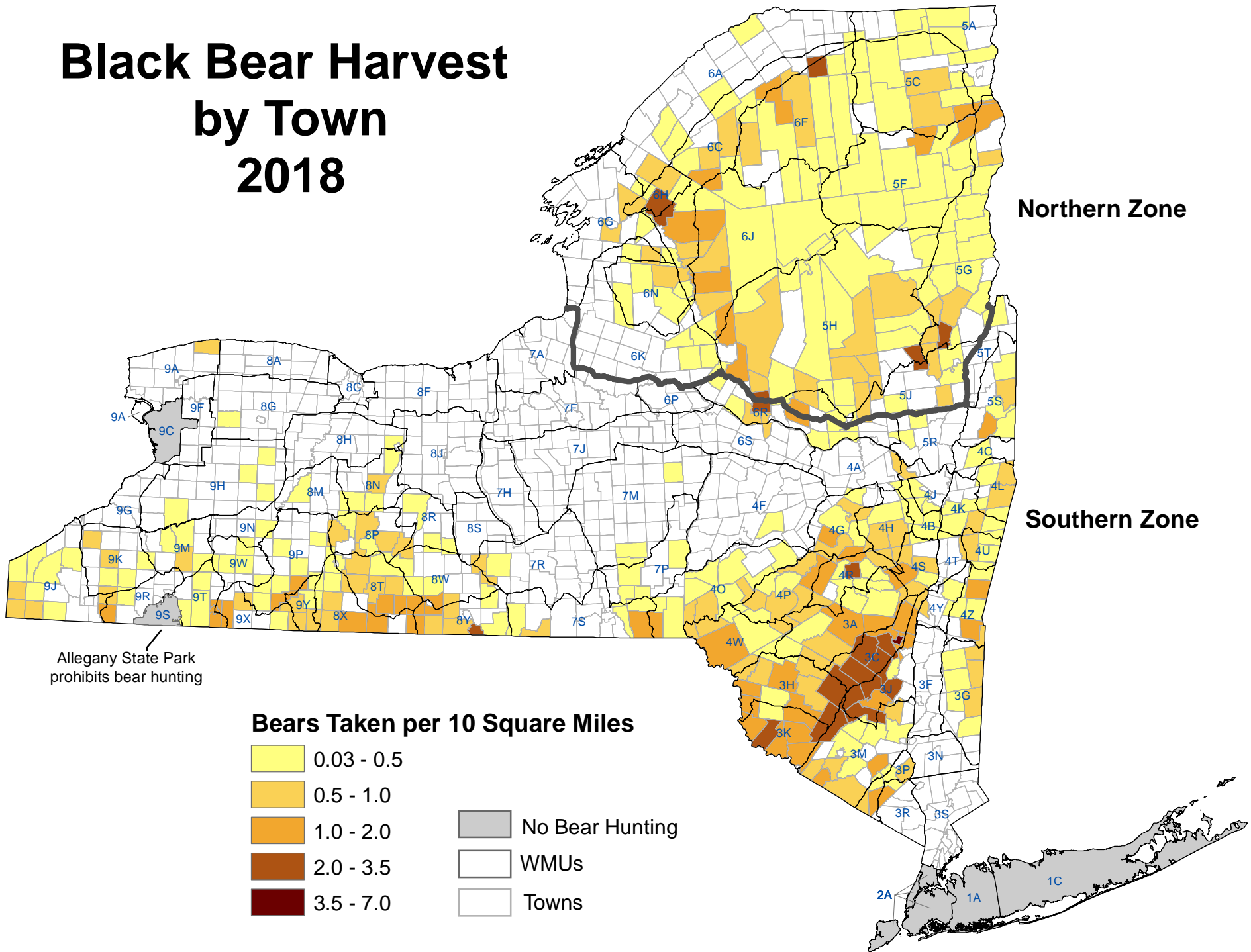
Season Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern							3M	13	25	1	13	0	52	8W	0	0	0	5	0	5	NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY SEX*						
WMU	E	B	M	R	Y	T	3P	0	3	3	4	0	10	8X	0	10	1	14	0	25	NZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
5A	5	0	1	2	0	8	4A	0	1	0	0	0	1	8Y	0	12	0	12	0	24	Female	117	25	22	58	0	222
5C	28	8	4	14	0	54	4B	0	0	0	3	0	3	9A	0	2	0	0	0	2	Male	142	30	26	71	0	269
5F	15	3	2	4	0	24	4F	0	1	0	0	0	1	9H	0	1	1	2	0	4	SZ	E	B	M	R	Y	T
5G	16	6	8	8	0	38	4G	0	4	0	14	0	18	9J	0	5	0	13	0	18	Female	73	119	7	122	4	325
5H	73	15	6	24	0	118	4H	0	8	0	8	0	16	9K	0	3	1	3	1	8	Male	106	175	11	180	7	479
5J	7	6	7	10	0	30	4K	0	4	0	2	0	6	9M	0	2	0	5	0	7							
6A	0	1	0	3	0	4	4L	0	5	0	3	0	8	9N	0	2	0	0	0	2							
6C	35	2	7	19	0	63	4O	0	9	1	9	0	19	9P	0	5	1	8	0	14							
6F	30	3	6	14	0	53	4P	18	6	0	8	0	32	9R	0	4	0	2	0	6							
6G	0	0	2	0	0	2	4R	18	6	0	1	2	27	9T	0	2	3	4	0	9							
6H	11	2	0	5	0	18	4S	0	6	0	4	1	11	9W	0	0	0	2	1	3							
6J	39	7	5	12	0	63	4T	0	0	0	3	0	3	9X	0	7	1	1	0	9							
6K	0	2	0	6	0	8	4U	0	3	0	2	1	6	9Y	0	4	0	3	0	7							
6N	0	0	0	8	0	8	4W	0	14	0	15	0	29	Southern Zone						804							
Northern Zone						491	4Y	0	3	0	1	0	4	Early												179	
Early						259	4Z	0	8	0	6	1	15	Bowhunting												294	
Bowhunting						55	5R	0	2	0	0	0	2	Muzzleloader												18	
Muzzleloader						48	5S	0	3	0	6	0	9	Regular												302	
Regular						129	6R	0	3	1	8	0	12	Youth												11	
Youth						0	7M	0	1	0	1	0	2	State Total						1,295							
							7P	0	1	0	4	0	5	Early							438						
							7R	0	0	0	2	0	2	Bowhunting							349						
							7S	0	4	1	12	0	17	Muzzleloader							66						
							8G	0	0	0	1	0	1	Regular							431						
							8M	0	1	0	0	0	1	Youth							11						
							8N	0	3	0	2	0	5														
							8P	0	8	1	7	0	16														
							8R	0	1	0	1	0	2														
							8T	0	11	0	12	0	23														



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# Black Bear Harvest by Town 2018



# 2018 NEW YORK STATE BEAR TAKE BY TOWN AND COUNTY


Key: E = Early, B = Bowhunting, M = Muzzleloader, R = Regular, Y = Youth, T = Total

Northern Zone							TOTAL	10	6	2	10	0	28	Oswego						
Clinton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Hamilton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Redfield	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Altona	1	0	2	0	0	3	Arietta	1	0	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Ausable	6	1	0	0	0	7	Benson	1	0	1	3	0	5	Saratoga	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Beekmantown	1	0	0	1	0	2	Hope	3	0	1	0	0	4	Hadley	6	1	0	2	0	9
Black Brook	6	0	2	5	0	13	Indian Lake	1	0	0	0	0	1	Moreau	0	0	0	1	0	1
Clinton	1	0	0	0	0	1	Inlet	0	0	0	1	0	1	Providence	0	0	1	0	0	1
Ellenburg	3	0	0	2	0	5	Lake Pleasant	0	0	0	1	0	1	Wilton	0	0	2	0	0	2
Moosers	0	0	0	2	0	2	Long Lake	3	0	3	0	0	6	TOTAL	6	1	3	3	0	13
Peru	1	1	1	0	0	3	Wells	6	1	0	5	0	12	St Lawrence	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Saranac	7	0	0	2	0	9	TOTAL	15	1	5	10	0	31	Canton	0	2	1	0	0	3
Schuyler Falls	1	0	0	0	0	1	Herkimer	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Clare	2	0	0	4	0	6
TOTAL	27	2	5	12	0	46	Fairfield	9	0	0	0	0	9	Colton	2	0	3	3	0	8
Essex	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Norway	1	1	0	0	0	2	Edwards	1	0	0	4	0	5
Chesterfield	8	0	1	0	0	9	Ohio	10	4	1	1	0	16	Fine	5	1	0	1	0	7
Crown Point	0	2	0	1	0	3	Russia	6	2	1	0	0	9	Fowler	3	0	0	0	0	3
Elizabethtown	3	0	0	0	0	3	Salisbury	4	0	0	1	0	5	Gouverneur	0	0	0	1	0	1
Essex	1	0	0	1	0	2	Webb	1	2	0	1	0	4	Hopkinton	11	0	0	3	0	14
Jay	1	0	1	0	0	2	TOTAL	31	9	2	3	0	45	Louisville	0	0	0	1	0	1
Keene	1	0	0	0	0	1	Jefferson	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Macomb	0	0	0	1	0	1
Lewis	0	0	1	0	0	1	Antwerp	2	0	0	4	0	6	Parishville	9	0	0	1	0	10
Moriah	0	0	3	0	0	3	Champion	0	2	0	0	0	2	Piercefield	0	0	0	2	0	2
Newcomb	2	0	0	0	0	2	Le Ray	5	0	0	0	0	5	Pierrepont	0	1	0	2	0	3
North Elba	0	0	1	2	0	3	Philadelphia	0	0	0	1	0	1	Pitcairn	4	1	2	2	0	9
North Hudson	1	0	0	0	0	1	Watertown	0	0	2	0	0	2	Russell	5	0	1	2	0	8
Schroon	2	0	1	0	0	3	Wilna	10	2	2	4	0	18	TOTAL	42	5	7	27	0	81
Ticonderoga	1	1	0	0	0	2	TOTAL	17	4	4	9	0	34	Warren	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Westport	1	0	0	0	0	1	Lewis	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Bolton	3	1	0	1	0	5
Wilmington	2	5	0	2	0	9	Croghan	13	3	0	4	0	20	Chester	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	23	8	8	6	0	45	Diana	2	0	0	4	0	6	Hague	1	0	0	0	0	1
Franklin	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Greig	9	1	0	1	0	11	Horicon	0	0	2	0	0	2
Bellmont	2	1	0	2	0	5	Harrisburg	0	1	0	2	0	3	Johnsburg	8	0	0	5	0	13
Brandon	1	0	0	0	0	1	Lowville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Lake George	2	2	0	3	0	7
Dickinson	6	0	1	2	0	9	Lyonsdale	4	0	0	0	0	4	Lake Luzerne	2	0	3	0	0	5
Duane	1	0	0	0	0	1	Martinsburg	0	0	0	5	0	5	Queensbury	0	1	0	0	0	1
Franklin	2	2	0	1	0	5	Montague	0	0	0	1	0	1	Stony Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1
Harrietstown	1	2	0	0	0	3	New Bremen	2	0	1	0	0	3	Thurman	1	2	0	1	0	4
Malone	1	0	0	1	0	2	Pinckney	0	0	0	1	0	1	Warrensburg	3	2	0	0	0	5
Santa Clara	1	0	1	0	0	2	Turin	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	21	8	5	11	0	45
Tupper Lake	3	1	0	1	0	5	Watson	4	0	0	2	0	6	Washington	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Waverly	2	0	2	1	0	5	West Turin	0	0	1	0	0	1	Dresden	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	20	6	4	8	0	38	TOTAL	34	5	2	22	0	63	Whitehall	0	0	1	0	0	1
Fulton	E	B	M	R	Y	T	Oneida	E	B	M	R	Y	T	TOTAL	0	0	1	1	0	2
Bleecker	0	0	0	2	0	2	Ava	0	0	0	1	0	1	Southern Zone						
Caroga	0	0	0	2	0	2	Boonville	2	0	0	1	0	3	Albany	E	B	M	R	Y	T
Johnstown	2	0	0	1	0	3	Forestport	11	0	0	1	0	12	Berne	0	1	0	2	0	3
Mayfield	4	0	0	0	0	4	Steuben	0	0	0	1	0	1	Bethlehem	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northampton	0	2	0	0	0	2	Western	0	0	0	2	0	2	Coeymans	0	0	0	1	0	1
Oppenheim	1	1	2	4	0	8	TOTAL	13	0	0	6	0	19	Guilderland	0	0	0	2	0	2
Stratford	3	3	0	1	0	7														

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New Scotland	0	1	0	0	0	1	Harmony	0	1	0	1	0	2	Northeast	0	0	0	4	0	4
Rensselaerville	0	5	0	1	0	6	Mina	0	0	0	2	0	2	Pawling	0	1	0	1	0	2
Westerlo	0	0	0	3	0	3	Poland	0	1	0	2	0	3	Stanford	0	0	0	2	0	2
TOTAL	0	7	0	10	0	17	Ripley	0	0	0	1	0	1	Union Vale	0	1	0	0	0	1
<b>Allegany</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Sherman	0	0	0	1	0	1	Washington	0	1	0	0	0	1
Alfred	0	0	0	1	0	1	Stockton	0	1	0	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	8	1	7	0	16
Allen	0	0	1	0	0	1	Westfield	0	2	0	0	0	2	<b>Erie</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Alma	0	0	1	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	11	1	15	1	28	Concord	0	0	1	0	0	1
Amity	0	1	0	0	0	1	<b>Chemung</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	TOTAL	0	0	1	0	0	1
Andover	0	1	0	0	0	1	Ashland	0	3	0	2	0	5	<b>Fulton</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Burns	0	0	0	1	0	1	Big Flats	0	1	0	3	0	4	Oppenheim	0	0	1	0	0	1
Clarksville	0	2	0	0	0	2	Chemung	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	0	1	0	0	1
Friendship	0	1	0	0	0	1	Erin	0	0	0	1	0	1	<b>Genesee</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Hume	0	1	0	0	0	1	Southport	0	3	0	1	0	4	Pembroke	0	0	0	1	0	1
Independence	0	0	1	1	0	2	TOTAL	0	7	0	8	0	15	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
New Hudson	0	0	0	1	0	1	<b>Chenango</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Greene</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Rushford	0	1	0	0	0	1	Greene	0	1	0	1	0	2	Ashland	3	1	0	0	2	6
Scio	0	2	0	3	0	5	Guilford	0	0	0	1	0	1	Athens	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ward	0	2	0	1	0	3	Smithville	0	0	0	1	0	1	Cairo	3	3	0	2	0	8
Wellsville	0	2	0	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	1	0	3	0	4	Catskill	5	0	0	1	0	6
West Almond	0	0	0	1	0	1	<b>Columbia</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Coxsackie	0	1	0	0	1	2
Willing	0	1	0	1	0	2	Ancram	0	5	0	0	0	5	Durham	3	1	0	0	0	4
Wirt	0	1	0	0	0	1	Austerlitz	0	0	0	1	1	2	Greenville	0	2	0	0	0	2
TOTAL	0	15	3	10	0	28	Canaan	0	1	0	0	0	1	Hunter	3	0	0	0	0	3
<b>Broome</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Chatham	0	2	0	3	0	5	Jewett	1	0	0	0	0	1
Colesville	0	1	0	1	0	2	Claverack	0	2	0	0	0	2	Lexington	0	1	0	1	0	2
Fenton	0	0	0	1	0	1	Copake	0	0	0	1	0	1	Prattsville	1	0	0	0	0	1
Kirkwood	0	0	0	1	0	1	Germantown	0	1	0	0	0	1	Windham	2	0	0	0	0	2
Sanford	0	1	0	1	0	2	Hillsdale	0	4	0	1	1	6	TOTAL	21	10	0	4	3	38
Windsor	0	2	0	11	0	13	New Lebanon	0	0	0	1	0	1	<b>Herkimer</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
TOTAL	0	4	0	15	0	19	Taghkanic	0	0	0	1	0	1	Fairfield	0	0	0	2	0	2
<b>Cattaraugus</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	TOTAL	0	15	0	8	2	25	Herkimer	0	0	0	2	0	2
Allegany	0	1	1	0	0	2	<b>Delaware</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Little Falls	0	1	0	1	0	2
Ashford	0	0	0	2	0	2	Andes	7	1	0	1	0	9	Schuyler Falls	0	0	0	1	0	1
Carrollton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Bovina	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	6	0	7
Conewango	0	0	0	1	0	1	Colchester	0	1	0	5	0	6	<b>Livingston</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
East Otto	0	0	0	1	0	1	Delhi	1	1	0	0	0	2	Mount Morris	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ellicottville	0	0	0	3	0	3	Deposit	0	2	0	1	0	3	Springwater	0	0	0	1	0	1
Franklinville	0	1	0	1	0	2	Franklin	0	2	0	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	1	0	1	0	2
Humphrey	0	0	0	1	0	1	Hamden	1	3	0	0	0	4	<b>Madison</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Lyndon	0	0	0	0	1	1	Hancock	0	8	0	11	0	19	Hamilton	0	1	0	0	0	1
New Albion	0	0	0	1	0	1	Kortright	1	0	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	0	0	1
Olean	0	1	0	3	0	4	Masonville	0	0	1	0	0	1	<b>Montgomery</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Portville	0	2	2	1	0	5	Middletown	4	4	0	1	0	9	Mohawk	0	1	0	0	0	1
Randolph	0	1	0	0	0	1	Roxbury	7	2	0	1	0	10	Palatine	0	0	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	0	7	3	14	1	25	Sidney	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	1	0	1	0	2
<b>Chautauqua</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Stamford	2	0	0	1	0	3	<b>Niagara</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Arkwright	0	1	1	0	0	2	Tompkins	0	3	0	4	0	7	Somerset	0	2	0	0	0	2
Carroll	0	2	0	2	0	4	Walton	1	1	0	1	0	3	TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2
Chautauqua	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	24	29	1	27	0	81	<b>Oneida</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>
Cherry Creek	0	1	0	0	1	2	<b>Dutchess</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Trenton	0	0	0	1	0	1
Clymer	0	0	0	2	0	2	Amenia	0	3	0	0	0	3	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1
Ellington	0	1	0	0	0	1	Dover	0	2	1	0	0	3							
French Creek	0	0	0	3	0	3														

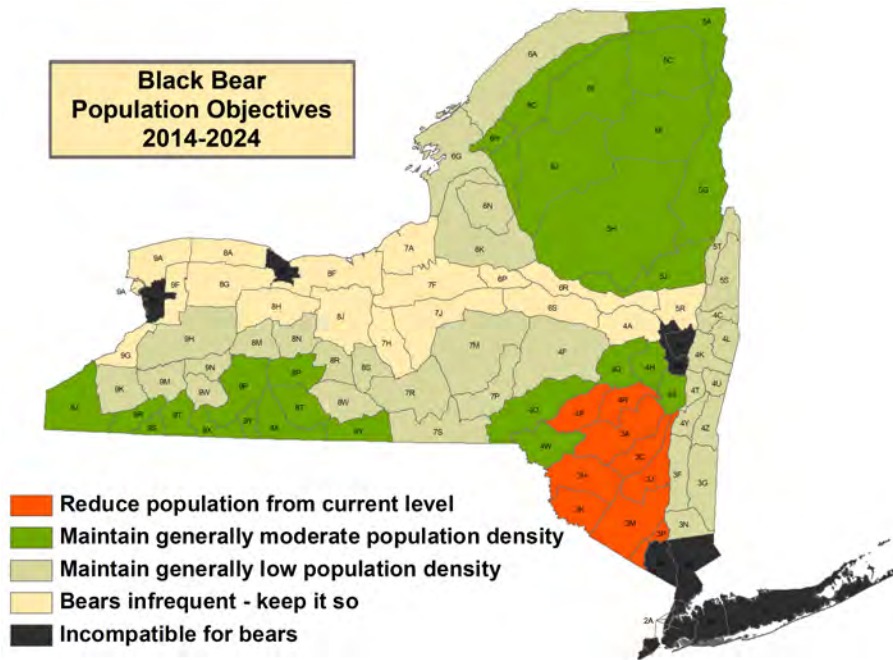
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<b>Ontario</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Catharine	0	0	0	2	0	2	Newfield	0	0	0	1	0	1				
Canandaigua	0	1	0	0	0	1	Cayuta	0	0	0	1	0	1	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1				
Naples	0	0	0	1	0	1	Reading	0	1	0	0	0	1	<b>Ulster</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>				
South Bristol	0	2	0	0	0	2	Tyrone	0	0	0	1	0	1	Denning	5	1	1	1	0	8				
TOTAL	0	3	0	1	0	4	TOTAL	0	1	0	4	0	5	Gardiner	2	2	0	1	0	5				
<b>Orange</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>Steuben</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Hardenburgh	3	0	0	0	0	3				
Blooming Grove	0	4	0	0	0	4	Addison	0	1	0	2	0	3	Hurley	4	3	0	1	0	8				
Crawford	0	1	0	0	0	1	Avoca	0	1	0	0	0	1	Kingston	2	3	0	0	0	5				
Deerpark	7	3	0	3	0	13	Bath	0	3	0	1	0	4	Marbletown	3	7	0	2	0	12				
Goshen	0	0	0	2	0	2	Cameron	0	1	0	2	0	3	New Paltz	0	4	0	4	0	8				
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Minisink	0	1	0	3	0	4	Caton	0	0	0	3	0	3	Rochester	12	8	0	4	1	25				
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Berlin	0	3	0	0	0	3	Urbana	0	2	0	1	0	3	White Creek	0	0	0	1	0	1				
East Greenbush	0	1	0	0	0	1	Wayland	0	1	0	0	0	1	TOTAL	0	3	0	7	0	10				
Grafton	0	0	0	1	0	1	West Union	0	1	0	2	0	3	<b>Wyoming</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>				
Nassau	0	2	0	1	0	3	Wheeler	0	0	2	1	0	3	Gainesville	0	1	0	0	0	1				
Petersburgh	0	0	0	3	0	3	Woodhull	0	3	0	4	0	7	Middlebury	0	0	0	1	0	1				
Pittstown	0	2	0	0	0	2	TOTAL	0	35	2	42	0	79	Orangeville	0	0	0	1	0	1				
Sand Lake	0	1	0	0	0	1	<b>Sullivan</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	TOTAL	0	1	0	2	0	3				
Schodack	0	0	0	1	0	1	Bethel	2	1	0	1	0	4	<b>Yates</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>				
Stephentown	0	0	0	1	0	1	Callicoon	1	1	0	1	0	3	Jerusalem	0	0	0	1	0	1				
TOTAL	0	9	0	7	0	16	Cochecton	1	0	0	4	0	5	TOTAL	0	0	0	1	0	1				
<b>Saratoga</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Delaware	2	1	0	1	0	4	<b>NYS Total</b>	<b>1,295</b>									
Charlton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Fallsburgh	2	2	0	0	0	4	Early	438									
Milton	0	1	0	0	0	1	Forestburg	2	3	0	1	0	6	Bowhunting	349									
TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2	Fremont	0	1	0	4	0	5	Muzzleloader	66									
<b>Schenectady</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Highland	3	4	0	4	0	11	Regular	431									
Rotterdam	0	2	0	0	0	2	Liberty	6	3	0	1	0	10	Youth	11									
TOTAL	0	2	0	0	0	2	Lumberland	5	0	0	3	0	8											
<b>Schoharie</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	Mamakating	12	7	0	7	0	26											
Blenheim	0	1	0	3	0	4	Neversink	3	3	0	1	0	7											
Broome	0	0	0	2	0	2	Rockland	1	2	0	0	0	3											
Conesville	1	0	0	3	0	4	Thompson	3	5	0	1	0	9											
Fulton	0	1	0	2	0	3	Tusten	3	0	0	5	0	8											
Gilboa	0	2	0	2	0	4	TOTAL	46	33	0	34	0	113											
Middleburg	0	1	0	3	0	4	<b>Tioga</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>											
Schoharie	0	0	0	1	0	1	Barton	0	0	0	1	0	1											
TOTAL	1	5	0	16	0	22	Nichols	0	1	1	1	0	3											
<b>Schuyler</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>	TOTAL	0	1	1	2	0	4											
							<b>Tompkins</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>T</b>											

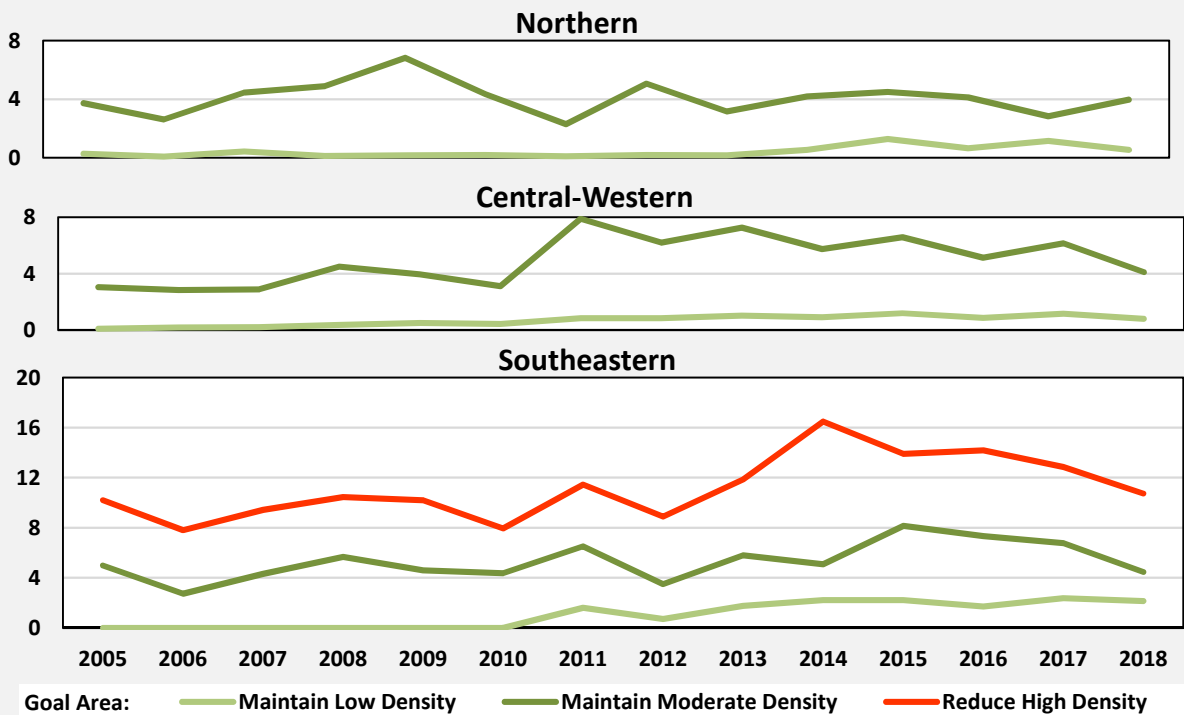
\* Only towns and counties with bear harvests are reported here.

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# Black Bear Harvest by Population Management Objective



## Bears Taken per 100 Square Miles



Management Goals were established in 2014, and an early bear season was initiated in portions of southeastern New York that same year to reduce the high density bear population.

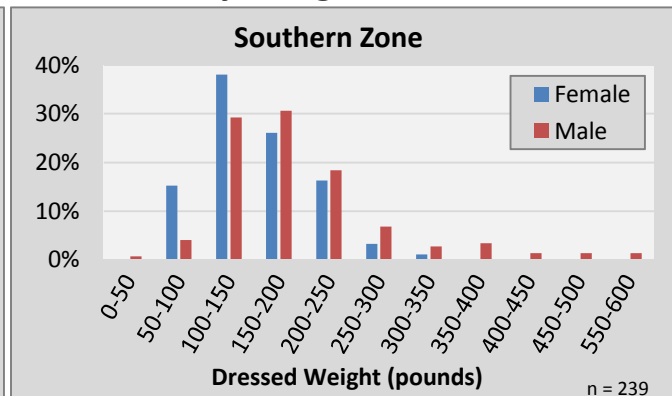
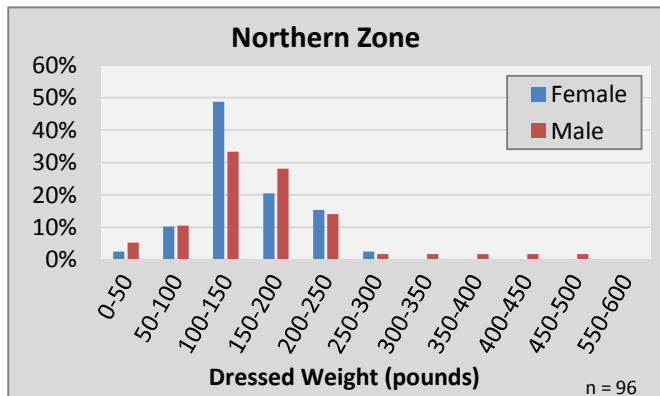
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## Heaviest Reported Bears - 2018

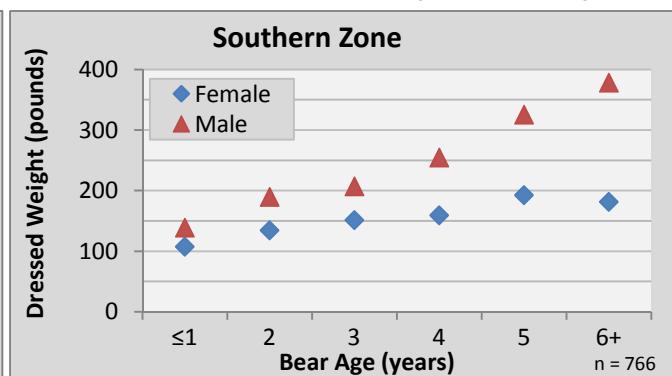
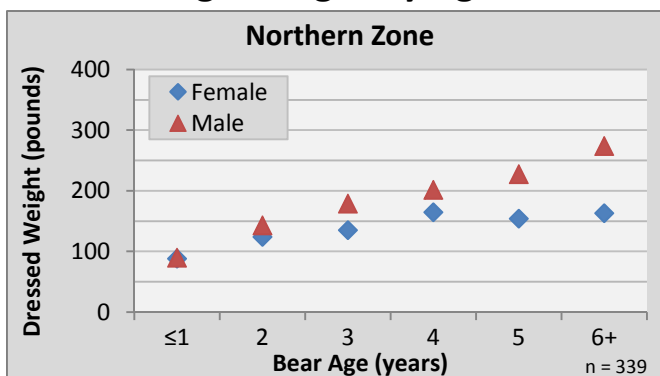
Rank	Dressed Weight (pounds)	Sex	Season	County	Town	WMU
1	585	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Shandaken	3A
2	550	Male	Bowhunting	Ulster	Marbletown	3C
3	485	Male	Muzzleloading	St Lawrence	Pitcairn	6C
4	459	Male	Regular	Chemung	Chemung	8Y
5	454	Male	Regular	Ulster	New Paltz	3J
6	440	Male	Regular	Dutchess	Stanford	3G
7	425	Male	Bowhunting	Orange	Highlands	3P
8	400	Male	Early	St Lawrence	Pitcairn	6C
9	390	Male	Early	Sullivan	Liberty	3H
10	385	Male	Early	Greene	Catskill	3A

Scaled weights of dressed bears were submitted for 28% of the bears reported in 2018.

### Distribution of Harvested Black Bears by Weight (2018)



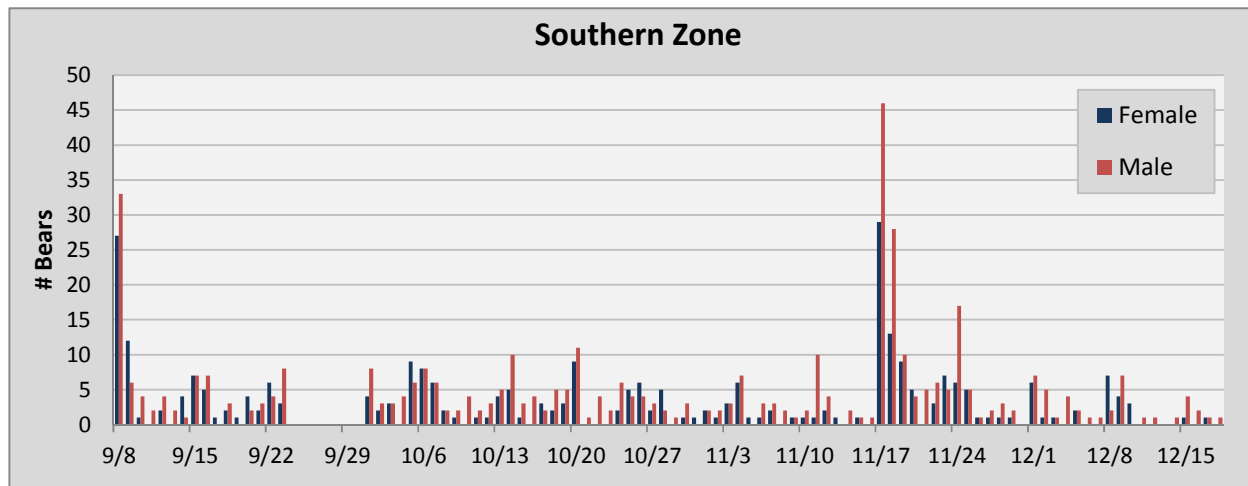
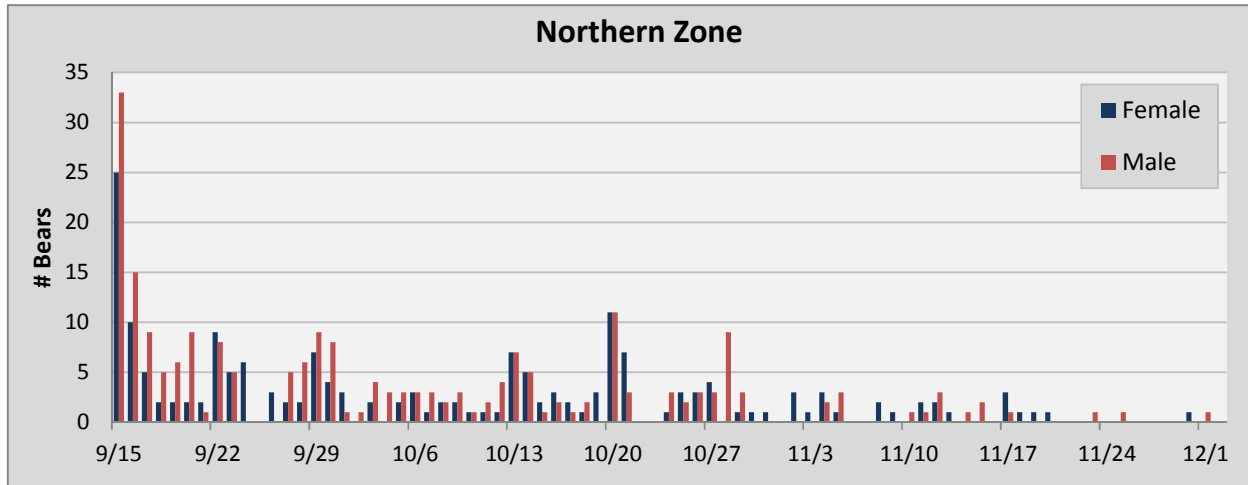
### Average Weight by Age and Sex of Harvested Black Bears (2015-2017)



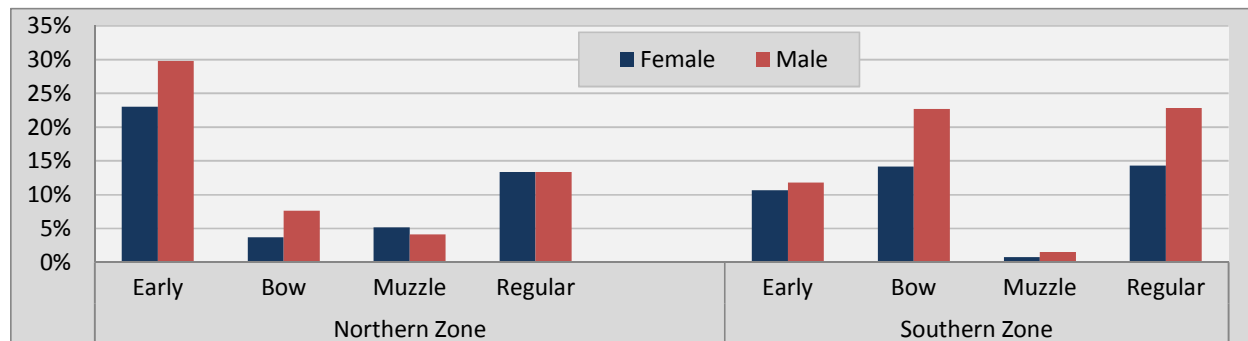
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## 2018 Reported Bear Take by Day



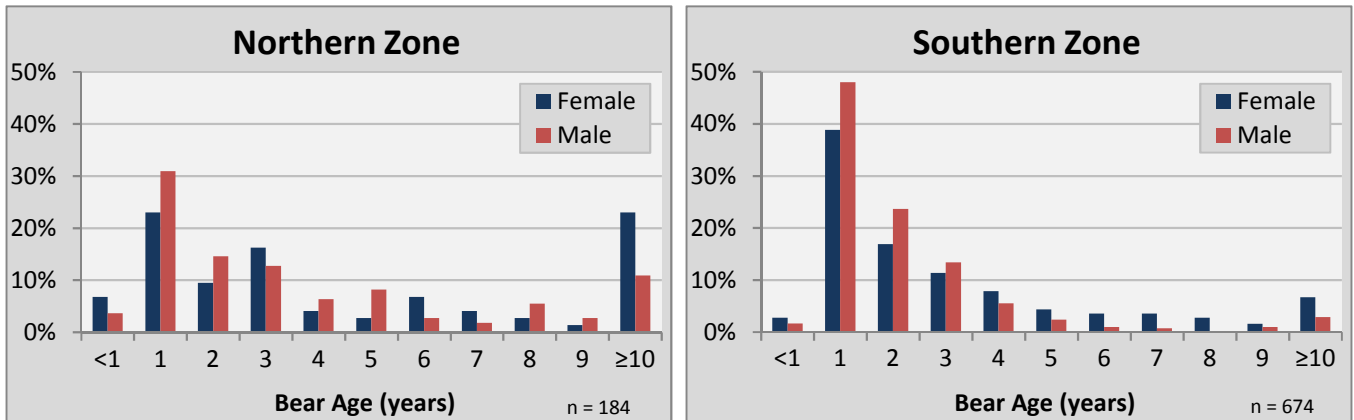
## 2018 Distribution of Black Bear Harvest by Sex



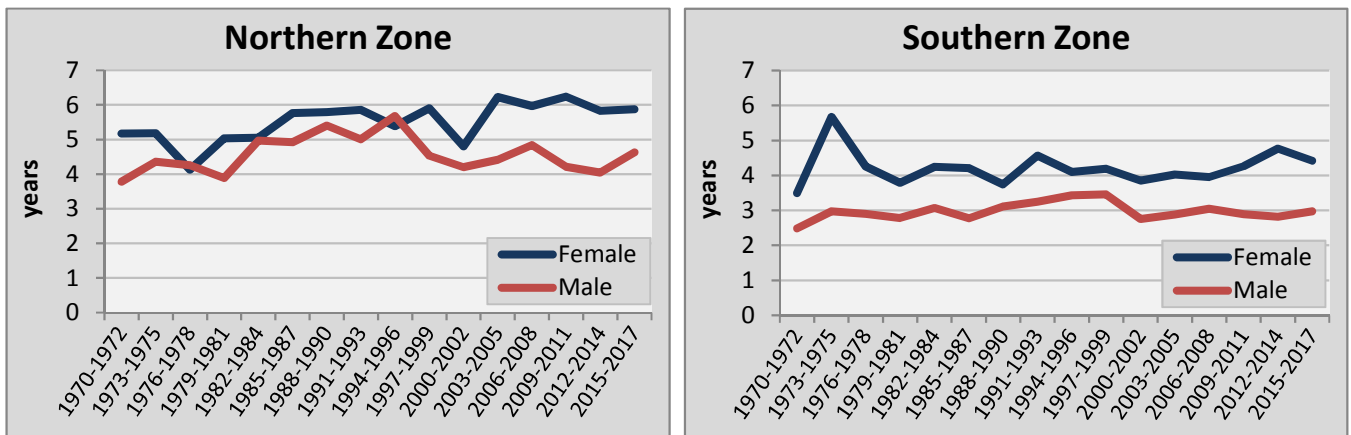
**Notes:** Sum of male and female proportions across seasons within each zone equals 100%.  
Male and female bear take during the Youth Seasons were <1% of the total harvest.

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**Age Distribution of Bear Harvest: 2017**



**Average Age of Harvested Bears**



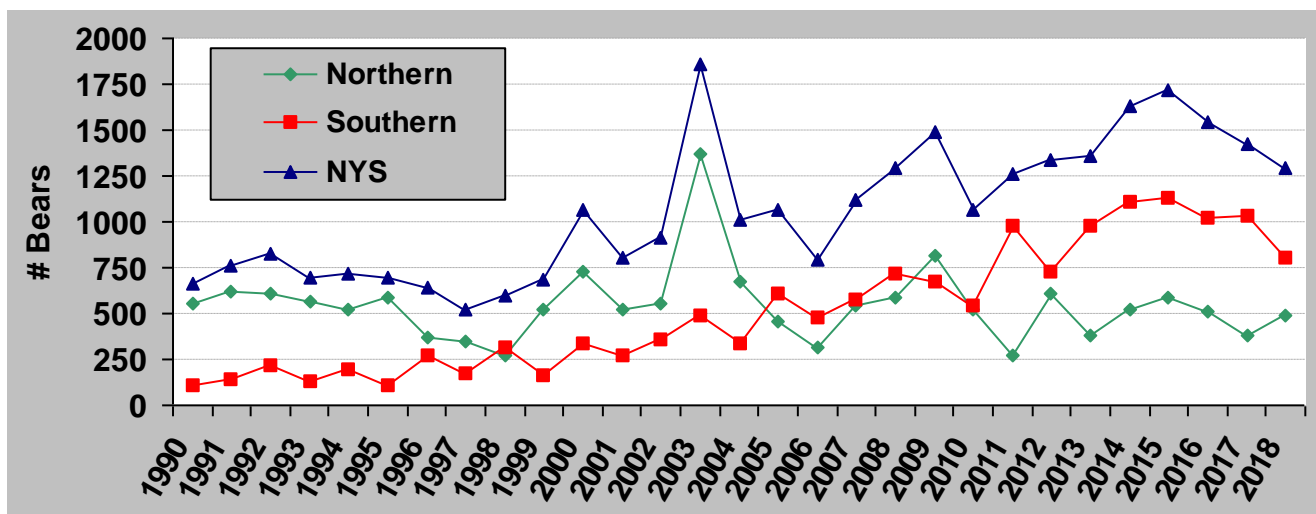
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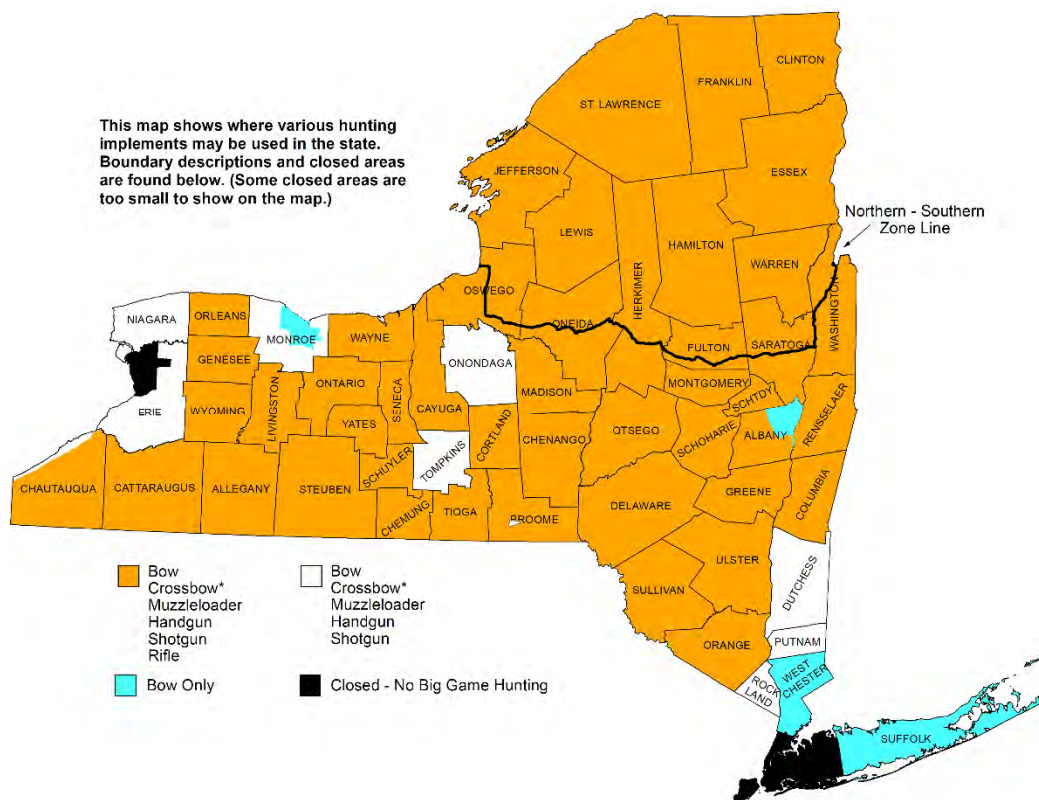
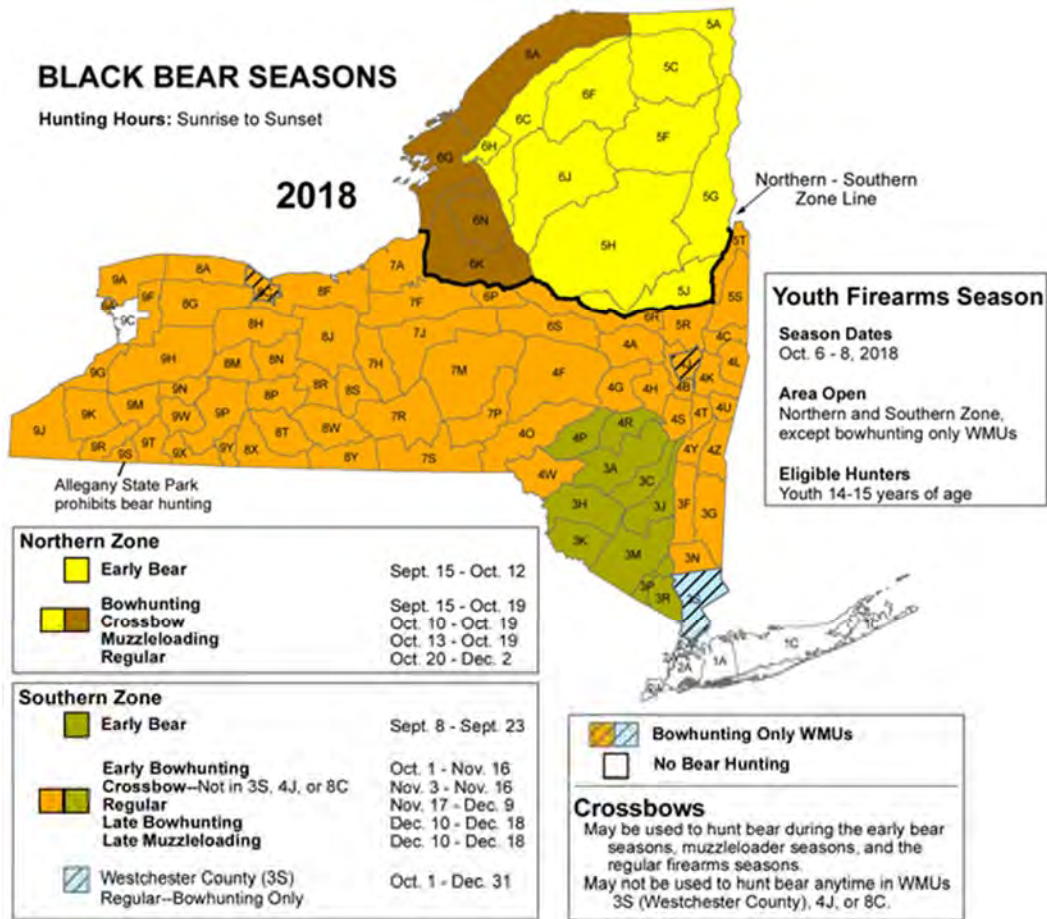
## Black Bear Harvest History

	Northern Zone						Southern Zone						State Totals					
Year	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total	E	B	M	R	Y	Total
2018	259	55	48	129	0	491	179	294	18	302	11	804	438	349	66	431	11	1,295
2017	82	25	33	242	1	383	150	330	12	537	8	1,037	232	355	45	779	9	1,420
2016	238	48	61	167		514	228	379	10	398	10	1,025	466	427	71	565	10	1,539
2015	183	53	94	253		583	192	327	17	596		1,132	375	380	111	849		1,715
2014	291	26	42	159		518	337	305	16	452		1,110	628	331	58	611		1,628
2013	84	15	35	246		380		317	6	655		978	84	332	41	901		1,358
2012	386	39	49	132		606		332	6	393		731	386	371	55	525		1,337
2011	70	3	9	193		275		290	21	672		983	70	293	30	865		1,258
2010	255	35	71	160		521		280	10	253		543	255	315	81	413		1,064
2009	426	44	128	216		814		266	10	397		673	426	310	138	613		1,487
2008	85	13	99	385		582		219	18	476		713	85	232	117	861		1,295
2007	306	28	61	149		544		219	9	345		573	306	247	70	494		1,117
2006	74	9	16	219		318		228	9	241		478	74	237	25	460		796
2005	184	19	45	205		453		208	11	394		613	184	227	56	599		1,066
2004	425	49	54	146		674		178	4	158		340	425	227	58	304		1,014
2003	730	35	112	493		1,370		221	10	262		493	730	256	122	755		1,863
2002	182	16	30	322		550		111	4	247		362	182	127	34	569		912
2001	240	18	52	213		523		127	2	148		277	240	145	54	361		800
2000	180	12	37	499		728		95	2	245		342	180	107	39	744		1,070
1999	270	37	34	182		523		89	1	72		162	270	126	35	254		685

Season Key: E=Early B=Bowhunting M=Muzzleloading R=Regular Y = Youth



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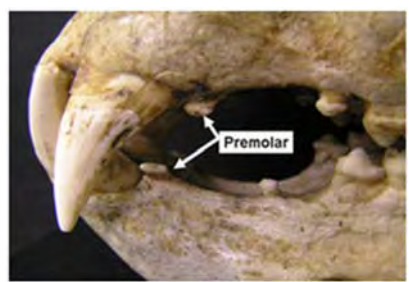


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## Black Bear Management Cooperator Program

DEC relies upon hunter participation to collect critical data for black bear management. Successful hunters are required by law to report their harvest, but many hunters also voluntarily submit premolar teeth from the bears (Figure 1), which are then used to determine the bear's age. DEC uses this information to assess the impact of harvest on the bear population by determination of the average age of harvested male and female bears in the various bear hunting areas. Additionally, by recording age and sex of harvested bears over a period of years, biologists can more accurately model bear populations.

Hunters who **Report their Bear** and **Submit a Tooth** become **NYS Black Bear Management Cooperators** and receive a commemorative patch.



**Figure 1.** Portion of bear skull showing upper and lower premolar teeth, immediately behind the large canines.

### Black Bear Cooperator Patches 2006-2018



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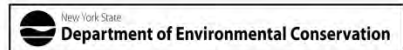
## Learn More about Black Bears

DEC has several great resources available for those interested in learning more about black bears, bear management, and bear hunting.

### Understanding Black Bears Curriculum <http://blackbearinfo.com>



DEC has partnered with Untamed Science to provide free curriculum and multimedia resources available to all New York Educators; loads of interactive learning appropriate for students in kindergarten to 8th grade.  
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### Black Bear Management Plan for New York State 2014-2024



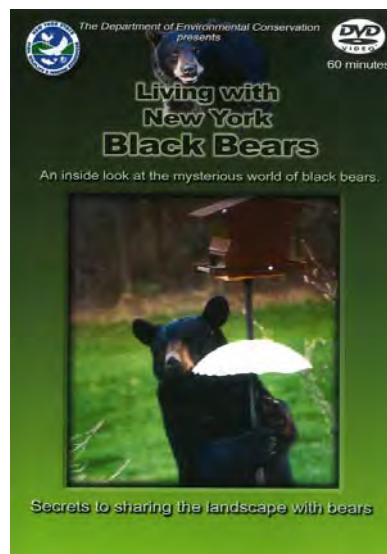
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See [www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/7215.html)  
for New York's Black Bear program.

### Hunting the Black Bear in New York



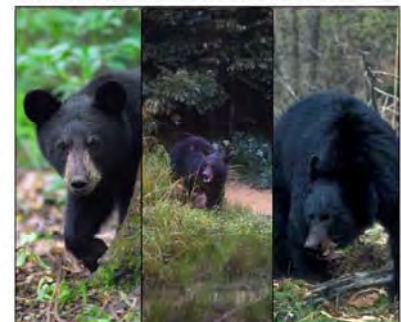
This short booklet is full of tips for bear hunters, before and after the harvest.  
[www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife\\_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf](http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bbhunting10.pdf)



*Living with New York Black Bears* is available at school and public libraries throughout New York.

### An Evaluation of Black Bear Management Options

Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, August 2012



This booklet, from the Northeast Black Bear Technical Committee, describes various options for bear management.  
[www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife\\_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf](http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/bearmgmtopt.pdf)